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High 90, Low 75 – Isolated Showers	High 91, Low 76 – Isolated Showers	High 90, Low 75 – Isolated Showers



Photo by Senior Airman Heidi Davis
A gas plume rises behind the trees, leaking from the main gas line Friday, as a fireman from the 16th Civil Engineer Squadron looks on.

Gas leak

Quick response to problem ensures base safety

By Senior Airman Heidi Davis
Public Affairs

Hurlburt Field fire trucks and police cars rushed to Terry Avenue and Independence Road about 2 p.m. July 29 to create a 500-foot cordon around a gas leak.

Construction workers hit a major gas line when digging for a drainage structure about 50 yards from the gas station.

"The gas line was approximately eight feet down, and fumes were pouring into the air," Tech. Sgt. Derek Allbrook, 16th Security Forces Squadron said.

Everyone within a 500-foot radius was evacuated, and any incoming traffic was immediately rerouted for about two hours.

Sergeant Allbrook said "Melanie Lerman, 16th Services Squadron, did a great job of notifying the base about the gas leak."

Her use of the marquee allowed for traffic to be smoothly diverted to Hurlburt's East gate."

Once the area was cordoned, Okaloosa Gas was called to repair the

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AF awards Gallant Unit Citation to 16th OG

By Jamie Haig
Public Affairs

A new Air Force award recognizing units for extraordinary heroism in combat was awarded to the 16th Operations Group.

The Air Force Gallant Unit Citation, established in 2002, is awarded to Air Force active-duty, Reserve and Guard units for extraordinary heroism against an armed enemy of

the United States, while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force.

The 16th OG was cited for operations between Oct. 6, 2001 to May 30, 2003.

"The men and women of the 16th OG are very deserving of this significant recognition, said Colonel Mark Alsied, 16th OG commander. "Equally important is the fact that this is

the Air Force's first Gallant Unit Citation."

"The group's performance throughout operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom was unequalled and will serve as an exciting chapter in Special Operations history."

During this period, 16th OG Airmen, despite repeated attacks from surface-to-air and surface-to-surface

missiles, anti-aircraft artillery, rocket-propelled grenades, and mortars, delivered lethal firepower and allowed for infiltration and exfiltration of Special Operations and conventional forces.

The aircraft also provided escort and reconnaissance over enemy con-

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Wing commander gives vision for future

By Col. Norman Brozenick Jr.
16th SOW commander

Our first 30 days together reaffirmed what I've known for many years: Team Hurlburt leads from the front of the pack.

The 16th Special Operations Wing and our partner units are entrusted with the Airmen and missions that protect our nation's citizens and interests from the scourges of terror and tyranny...current and future.

Simply put, we are "no-fail people" with a "no-fail mission."

For the 16th SOW, there's only one way to continue our no-fail record: plan for success. To ensure we're ready to execute "Any Time, Any Place," I need every Airman in our wing to pursue three objectives, or aimpoints: Fight and win; take best care of our wingmen, families and resources; become the next generation of Air Commando leaders.

What's your role in pursuing aimpoints? Know that I'll rely on each of you to help build ways ahead, or detailed plans describing how we'll synchronize wing-wide efforts to achieve our aimpoints.

For example, the way ahead to "fight and win" includes a wing plan

to increase aircraft availability and mission-essential training.

To "take best care of our wingmen and families," our first sergeants are building a way ahead that further extends the services we can individually and collectively provide family members of deployed and garrison personnel.

In everything we say and do, we must strive to "become the next generation of Air Force and Air Commando leaders."

The Air Commando spirit is more than a mind-set – it's a way of life. From the moment we donned Air Force blue, we pledged to live by the core values of integrity, service before self and commitment to excellence.

From the moment we joined Air Force Special Operations Command, we were called to live in the way of the Air Commando, with unsurpassed capability, unequalled credibility and unwavering faithfulness as our hallmarks.

Capability is what you bring to the fight. I expect you to become a master of your individual skill set, whether you fly, maintain, secure, communicate, finance or otherwise support our mission.

Individual excellence is at the core of each team we assemble to fight, be it by flight, squadron, group or wing. Never accept mediocrity. Unsurpassed capability is the way of the Air Commando.

Credibility is a reputation for personal and professional excellence that gets you to the fight. We live lives free from breaches of integrity and crimes of abuse.

We deliver superior performance during evaluations, such as unit compliance and operational readiness inspections and joint exercises. Never discredit yourself or this wing. Unequalled credibility is the way of the Air Commando.

Without faithfulness, you could not have sustained the past four years of continuous deployment. Whether it's a higher power, the brotherhood of arms, or family and friends, you must have something to believe in.

We are our brothers' and sisters' keeper. Unwavering faithfulness is what sustains you in the fight and is the way of the Air Commando.

Together, as Air Commandos who have gone before, we plan for – and will achieve – success. Our no-fail mission demands nothing less.

Air Commando Salute



Organization:
39th Information Operations Squadron
Duty Title:
Communications Computer Support Technician

Mission Contributions:
Sergeant Kirkland responded quickly to a short-notice secure data storage requirement for 13 students. He provided a dependable location for students to store critical course files. He also used his in-depth software experience to research and procure a software-based backup solution that provides data protection on their networks.

The solution was implemented immediately upon receipt, saving the squadron \$9,000 annually.

Sergeant Kirkland's technical knowledge and analytical problem-solving skills allowed him to develop a database to track

help-desk trouble tickets, providing a way to measure negative network trends. He also identified, removed and secured all server hard drives prior to devastating natural disasters. As a result, all mission-critical data was secured, and systems were operational within two hours of the squadron reopening.

Sergeant Kirkland graduated from the Windows 2003 Server course at a Learning Tree facility, then he used his newly-acquired skills to upgrade classified systems with 100 percent compliance.

He also utilized self-taught software knowledge to seamlessly migrate four backup systems, preserving 100 percent of the data.

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DUI Tracker



July 29 – Aug. 4 2 DUIs

This year: 19

DUIs for 2004: 42

Last DUI: 16th Helicopter Maintenance Squadron, Aug. 2

Days since last DUI:

16th OG...14

16th MXG...3

16th MSG...34

16th MDG...219

Individual groups get a down day for 60 consecutive days without a DUI. Totals are current as of Aug. 4.

Don't Drink and Drive. Call AADD at 884-8844
Potential saves this year: 373

Behind the Badge

Hurlburt Field Airmen make the wrong decisions and get busted

By TSgt Derek Allbrook
16th SFS

DUI's

Drinking and driving continues to be a troublesome matter in the Hurlburt Field community.

An active-duty Airman from the 16th Special Operations Squadron was pulled over by an officer from the Fort Walton Police Department, after driving over a curb downtown.

When the driver was stopped, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol.

After the driver failed his field sobriety test, the driver submitted to a breath test with a result of .155 blood alcohol content - almost dou-

ble the legal limit. The driver was charged with driving under the influence and released after the drivers blood alcohol reached a safe level.

In cases like this, the individual will not be allowed to drive on base for a period of one year. All this is on top of whatever the State of Florida is going to impose.

An active-duty Airman of the 16th Equipment Maintenance Squadron was observed speeding through a construction zone, then honked her horn at law enforcement officers who were alongside the road. When the driver was stopped, the deputy detected a strong alcohol odor. With a

drink still in the center console, the driver admitted to drinking and driving.

After the driver failed her field sobriety tests, she submitted to a breath test with a result of .091 blood alcohol content.

The driver was charged with a DUI and later released from the Okaloosa County Jail to her first sergeant. She will have her driver's license suspended on the base for a period of one year.

Thefts

An Airman in the 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron reported his government travel card had been stolen. The thief removed it from an unsecured vehicle and proceeded to do a little shopping.

After hitting a gas station, the thief used the card at several prominent department stores. The charges were less than \$500, but if not for the security at Bank of America, this could've been more severe. Security of the travel card is not just the responsibility of the bank, it's the cardholders.

Keep government travel cards in a safe location and secure vehicles when unattended.

Shoplifting

A retired navy petty officer entered the shoppette and proceeded to the rack of cigarettes and removed a pack of smokes valued at \$1.96. After paying for some beer, he exited the shoppette without rendering payment for the cigarettes, which were in his pocket.

He was stopped by store detectives and escorted to the security office.

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office was contacted

and took custody of him. He will now face charges downtown.



AAFES store detectives not only monitor cameras to locate shoplifters, but they may be the person pushing a shopping cart alongside yours.

Fleeing the Scene

An active-duty Airman in the 16th Medical Group was charged with fleeing the scene of an accident. According to the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office, the driver was involved in a two-car accident along

U. S. Highway 98. The driver then fled the scene of the accident and was pursued by the vehicle he struck.

After pulling into a parking lot, the victim blocked the driver from escaping by using her vehicle.

The deputy responded and charged the Airman with fleeing the scene of an accident. He was transported to the Okaloosa County Jail.

Blue Flag comes to close

By 1st Lt. Nathan Broshear
505th CCW Public Affairs

American and coalition forces conducted war from Hurlburt Field last week.

As part of Blue Flag 05-02, joint forces from the United States with 11 coalition partners, converged on the Combined Air Operations Center - Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., and Hurlburt Field.

The exercise linked the two locations with controllers at Hurlburt Field simulating a higher headquarters, while participants at Nellis worked to win computer-generated battles in the fictitious countries of 'Nevidah' and 'Califon.'

Blue Flag is a joint training exercise to prepare to fight from the CAOC. Although the Air Warfare Center directed the exercise, it was largely written by the 505th Exercise Control Squadron staff - with players 'deploying' to a site overseen by the 505th Operations Group.

After 11 months of preparation, Lt. Gen. Walter Buchanan III, 9th Air Force commander and the exercise's combined forces air component commander, his AOC staff and Blue Flag planners executed the exercise.

"What separates this Blue Flag exercise from others we've conducted is the number of 'firsts' that are

taking place," said Col. Gary Crowder, 505th CCW vice commander. "From the outset, one of General Buchanan's primary goals was to fully integrate coalition players into the combat operations and combat plans cells on the CAOC floor - something we've never attempted in such depth."

Coalition participants included Australia, Bahrain, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom.

"This is significant in that we purposely built the exercise architecture in such a way that these players could work on our systems, share procedures and tactics, and most importantly, receive training that they've never before been able to take part in," said Colonel Crowder.

During a typical day, the AOC staff planned and executed approximately 680 simulated sorties while responding to enemy aircraft and missiles, propaganda, insurgents and network attacks. Missions were "flown" by controllers on workstations at Hurlburt Field, with progress and results reported back to the CAOC, as if an aircraft had actually conducted the mission. Enemy progress appeared on screens at the CAOC.



Photo by Senior Airman Kimberley Batts

Airmen deployed to Little Rock Air Force Base during Hurricane Dennis line up to in-process. The exercise focused on making the deploying and mobilizing process smoother.

Exercise test ability to deploy

By Master Sgt. Stuart Camp
Public Affairs

The question was: How efficiently can the people and aircraft of the 16th Special Operations Wing mobilize and deploy?

Last week's no-notice deployment exercise came at the request of Col. Norman Brozenick, 16th SOW commander.

"The intent was to establish a baseline for the commander to see how ready we are to respond," said Lt. Col. Daniel Gard, 16th SOW inspection and evaluation chief.

More than 150 people processed through the Deployment Control Center, and a large package of aircraft was generated.

This was the first exercise of this type in several years, according to 16th SOW Inspector General officials.

Although the wing deploys people and aircraft on a regular basis, there was a new wrinkle with cargo handling. This time units brought their cargo for weighing and inspection to the DCC.

"It was harder," said Staff Sgt. Lindsey Kerns, who works in the 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron Air Terminal Operations Center. "There was more room, but we had people trying to drive their vehicles through. So, it turned into a mess."

With an Operational Readiness Inspection looming on the horizon, Airmen can expect more exercises.

Drug use gets Airmen more than high

Five Airmen lose their careers, receive jail time for use, possession of Drugs

By Master Sgt. Stuart Camp
Public Affairs

Drug use cost five Airmen their Air Force careers during courts-martial recently.

Lawyers in the 16th Special Operations Wing Legal Office successfully prosecuted a docket-full of drug trials in the last three weeks.

Each of those convictions included jail time and a bad conduct discharge.

Monday, Airman Basic Brett Roberson was convicted of marijuana use and possession in a special court martial. The judge, Col. Glenn Spitzer, sentenced him to two months confinement, forfeiture of two-thirds pay for two months and a bad conduct

discharge.

Last week, three Airmen went under the gavel in separate trials.

Airman Jeremy Ramos, 16th Helicopter Maintenance Squadron, pleaded guilty to the use of cocaine, methamphetamine, ecstasy and marijuana.

"This originally started with an (Office of Special Investigation) tip," said Capt. Kris White, 16th SOW judge advocate general. "We had four separate drug tests and a confession. The use, over and over, showed he was unable to self-correct. It wasn't one mistake."

Multiple uses of marijuana ended the career of Staff Sgt. Jason Aleshire, 16th Equipment Maintenance Squadron.

"With rank comes responsibility," said Capt. Glen Miller, judge advocate general who represented the U.S. Air Force against Aleshire. "My frustration is that we deal with so many drug cases. People must realize that marijuana isn't a petty drug, and we will prosecute."

Sergeant Aleshire, who has been in the Air Force more than nine years, pleaded guilty during the trial. He was identified through two positive urinalysis tests.

The judge sentenced him to three months in jail, a reduction to airman basic and a bad conduct discharge.

Senior Airman Kurt Cangelosi, 16th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was sentenced to 11 months confinement, a reduction in

rank to airman basic and a bad conduct discharge. He admitted to using cocaine at least 12 times – even after he'd been through a drug rehabilitation program – and being absent without leave.

On July 18, Airman 1st Class Shayne Wyatt, 16th EMS, pleaded guilty to distributing and using cocaine and marijuana. The judge sentenced Airman Wyatt, who was a line delivery element crew member, to a reduction to airman basic, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, 10 months confinement and a bad conduct discharge.

Even with all the completed courts-martial, 16th SOW legal officials have 23 cases awaiting prosecution, said Tech. Sgt. Susan Thompson.

Brothers in Arms

Iraq

CAMP VICTORY – One hundred forty-three U.S. service members from 42 different countries held up their right hands and became U.S. citizens July 25 in the Al-Faw Palace rotunda here. The Army and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services led the ceremony. The 141 newly naturalized brothers and sisters in arms were given certificates of citizenship and an American flag.

Afghanistan

WASHINGTON – Taliban members who face off against coalition forces or the Afghan National Army are facing heavy losses, so they've resorted to recruiting young teens to join the fight, the Joint Staff's operations director told Pentagon reporters July 26. Marine Lt. Gen. James Conway spoke following a July 25 incident that involved heavy fighting in a small village west of Deh Rawod in Afghanistan's Oruzgan province. The incident, which left one U.S. soldier and an Afghan National Army soldier dead, took a considerable toll on the enemy, the general said. Some press reports claim as many as 50 insurgents were killed, he said. The coalition has received reports that the Taliban is attempting to recruit 14- to 16-year-olds to their cause because "older and wiser" Afghans simply are "not buying into their rhetoric," Conway said.

KABUL – Military operators and planners from the Afghan National Army's National Military Command Center have graduated from a comprehensive training course in how to operate a national army. The 78 officers, who will act as the eyes and ears of the Afghan Army, received more than 220 hours of instruction. They were provided the tools and techniques to operate in the strategic, operational and tactical levels of war throughout the full spectrum of military operations. The mission of the National Military Command Center is to monitor the situation in and around Afghanistan and produce plans that address threats and challenges to the country's well-being. The National Military Command Center is organized into two branches: current operations and future operations.

Gas update:

With the gulf cleared up, and the oil refineries operating at 100 percent, getting gas is no longer a problem

By Airman 1st Class James Dickens
Public Affairs

The recent lack of gas on base is no longer a problem.

Problems surfaced after hurricanes Dennis and Emily slowed down the means of getting gas barges to the coast.

Odette Ingham, shoppette manager, said that hurricanes left too much debris in the Gulf of Mexico for the gas barges to get through, and also caused the oil refineries to shutdown until the hurricanes were past. But, not anymore.

"We've got past the hump," said Ms. Ingham. "Everything is back to normal."

Ms. Ingham said that the U.S. Coast Guard cleared up the gulf, and all the refineries are back to 100 percent.

"Now we have happy customers once again," said Ms. Ingham.

Retired officers recall Vietnam during history lecture series

By Dr. John Dabrowski
16th SOW History Office

Today's Special Operators got a rare look at Vietnam operations July 28 at the Joint Special Operations University.

The featured speakers were retired Lt. Gen. LeRoy Manor and retired Maj. John Grove at the fifth installment of the "Through the Eyes of a Commando" lecture series.

General Manor spoke about the Son Tay Raid of November 1970. The raid, carried out by U.S. Army and Air Force forces, attempted to rescue American prisoners of war held at Son Tay Prison, about 23 miles from Hanoi.

Much of the training for the raid was carried out on the Eglin military complex, to include Duke Field.

The plan was daring and would have been successful had the prisoners not been moved some months prior. General Manor was the overall commander for the mission; Army Col. Arthur "Bull" Simmons, who was on the ground, led the 56-man assault force mission to rescue the POWs.

While no POWs were found, the ground detachment found itself engaged with enemy troops, and in the ensuing fire fight, killed a number

of Vietnamese soldiers. The only American casualties incurred were a slight flesh wound and a soldier who sprained his ankle.

The 1970 raid, followed by the 1980 attempt to rescue the Iranian hostages, helped spur President Ronald Reagan to re-establish a strong Special Operations element in the United States after it had been downsized after Vietnam.

Following General Manor, Major Grove spoke on Special Operation Forces helicopters in Vietnam.

Major Grove's speech, at times very funny, told of his experiences as a young Airman in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam conflict. Assigned in Thailand flying CH-53 helicopters, Major Grove was a Prairie Fire mission pilot, who supported the U.S. Army 'Heavy Hook' teams in Laos and other combat areas of Southeast Asia.

The sixth installment of "Through the Eyes of a Commando" is scheduled for September 2005.

The scheduled speakers are retired Maj. Gen. Richard Comer, former 16th SOW commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Wayne Fisk.

Both men will be talking about the American withdrawal from Southeast Asia.

Children get close look at military 'toys'

Story and photos by
Amy Oliver
Public Affairs

Airmen of the 16th Medical Group and the 16th Mission Support Group

braved the mid-July heat in order to showcase some of their equipment at the sixth annual Big Truck Day in Destin July 29.

Approximately 200 kids flocked to the Destin

Community Center to explore the 18 trucks parked in the lot, said Lisa Firth of the Destin Community Center.

"The kids just love the military vehicles," said Ms. Firth. "And many parents commented on what a great event this is for the kids."

Hurlburt Field sent out three vehicles this year. The 16th Medical Operations Squadron sent an ambulance, the 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron sent an M-series five-ton wrecker and the 16th Civil Engineering Squadron sent an up-armored humvee.

"I think it's a good idea for the military to get involved with the community, so they can see the many things that the military does," said Airman 1st Class David Christensen, 16th MDOS. "I was really surprised at how interested the children were in how everything worked,

especially the loudspeaker on the ambulance."

Six-year-old Brandon Shumaker attended his first Big Truck Day with his grandparents.

"He's been up since 6 o'clock in the morning waiting for this," said Larry Steyerma, Brandon's grandfather. "This has been foremost on his agenda."

In addition to Hurlburt Field, other agencies that participated included Eglin Air Force Base, City of Destin, Okaloosa County Sheriff's Department and Gulf Power. The types of vehicles they provided ranged from fire trucks and front loaders to military armored vehicles.

Despite the recent Hurricane Dennis, which affected vehicle participation this year, the Destin coordinators still consider the event a huge success.

By mid-morning, horns



An Airman from the 16th Medical Operations Squadron, holds the microphone of the ambulance's loudspeaker for 3-year-old Joshua.

were honking and sirens were blaring, as the curious kids tested out various knobs, switches and buttons.

"That just makes his day blowing that horn," said Mr. Steyerma as Brandon sounded the horn of 16th LRS's wrecker.



An Airman from the 16th Civil Engineer Squadron, assists 6-year-old Brandon in the turret of a humvee.

Troop withdrawals could begin as early as next year

By **Gerry Gilmore**
AFP

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A "fairly substantial" withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq could take place next spring or summer if the insurgency doesn't grow and the country's political process continues as scheduled, the commander of coalition forces said here July 27.

U.S. Army Gen. George Casey, head of Multinational Force Iraq, spoke during a surprise visit to Iraq by Department of Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

At a later joint news conference with Secretary Rumsfeld, Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim Jaafari said the

departure of U.S. forces from his country depends on how soon Iraq can train, equip and field its own soldiers and police to take over security duties.

"We don't want to be surprised," Prime Minister Jaafari said, if U.S. troops leave before the Iraqis are prepared to assume security.

Secretary Rumsfeld arrived in Baghdad July 27 after visits to the Central Asian nations of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan.

He met with senior U.S. and Iraqi military and civilian officials at the International Zone, formerly called the "Green Zone."

General Casey commented on the potential for withdrawing U.S. forces

from Iraq during a joint news conference with Secretary Rumsfeld and new U.S. Ambassador to Iraq Zalmay Khalilzad.

The general said the insurgency in Iraq hasn't substantially increased within the past year.

"The insurgents need to progress to survive, and this insurgency isn't progressing," General Casey said.

Instead of gaining strength, insurgents in Iraq have changed tactics, he explained, to employ "more violent, more visible" attacks on softer civilian targets. That's "a no-win strategy for the insurgents," General Casey said.

The general noted that U.S. military members continue to train and team up with Iraqi units in conduct-

ing sweeps and other security missions.

Ambassador Khalilzad agreed with Secretary Rumsfeld's earlier stated belief that the Iraqi government needs to be more assertive about border issues with countries like Syria and Iran.

"They need to be more aggressive," Ambassador Khalilzad said, noting the Syrians and the Iraqis haven't been very helpful in preventing insurgents from entering Iraq from their side of the border. But, Iraq soon will become an important country in the region, Ambassador Khalilzad said, and likely will remember which countries had been helpful to it at this stage of its history.

DOD releases study on link between Agent Orange, diabetes

The Department of Defense recently released the latest report of the Air Force Health Study on the health effects of exposure to herbicides in Vietnam.

The report includes the strongest evidence to date that Agent Orange is associated with adult-onset diabetes. This supports the findings from earlier reports in 1992 and 1997. The Air Force Health Study summarizes the results of the 2002 physical examination of 1,951 veterans, which is the final examination of the 20-year epidemiological study.

The Ranch Hand Study was named after the operation responsible for spraying herbicides in Vietnam between 1962 and 1971 to deny cover and destroy crops of the North Vietnamese Army.

Since the first examination in 1982, the Air Force has tried to determine whether long-term health effects exist in the Ranch Hand pilots and ground crews, and if these effects can be attributed to the herbicides used in Vietnam, mainly Agent Orange and its contaminant, dioxin.

The report, along with many other studies on herbicide and dioxin exposure, will be reviewed by the National Academy of Sciences. Based upon this review, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs can ask Congress for legislation on disability compensation and health care.

Results from the 2002 physical examination support adult-onset diabetes as the most important

health problem seen in the Air Force Health Study. They suggest that as dioxin levels increase not only are the presence and severity of adult-onset diabetes increased — but the time to onset of the disease is decreased.

A 166-percent increase in diabetes requiring insulin control was seen in those with the highest levels of dioxin. This is consistent with the strong evidence found in animal studies.

Cardiovascular disease findings weren't consistent, but separate studies have found an increased risk of cardiovascular death in Ranch Hand enlisted ground crews, the subgroup with the highest average serum dioxin. (AFP)

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Photo by Senior Airman Heidi Davis

An Airman from the 16th Security Forces Squadron diverts traffic to Mitchell Road.

damaged line.

In the mean time, drivers heading south on Terry Avenue were rerouted to Mitchell Road, and those heading west on Independence could go no further than the Hurlburt Field Air Park, said Sergeant Allbrook.

"While security forces rerouted traffic, base fire-

fighters stood ready at the scene in a case fire broke out," Sergeant Allbrook said.

"Luckily, the repair was made without escalating into a major issue, and the two inbound and outbound lanes on Terry Avenue and Independence Road were operable within a few hours."

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trolled territory.

Staff Sgt. Kyle Daniell, 4th Special Operations Squadron aerial gunner, was one cog in the operations group wheel.

"It was a great opportunity to be a part of these operations," said Sergeant Daniell. "And it was a great feeling knowing you're helping the guys on the ground."

Within 30 days of returning from training, he was deployed to a forward operating base.

"It's been an honor working with the people on base and in this command," said Sergeant Daniell.

According to the citation, the 16th OG persistently pursued the enemy, attacking with swift and deliberate force, destroying numerous enemy buildings, aircraft,

vehicles and boats.

The group flew more than 25,000 combat hours, fulfilling the United States' commitment to combat terrorism.

Technical Sgt. Stuart Blackwood, a gunner in the 16th Special Operations Squadron, participated in the missions that qualified the group for this prestigious award.

"We were busy during that time," said Sergeant Blackwood. "It was great to be able to go out and get the job done."

Having spent more than 13 years with the 16th SOS, Sergeant Blackwood has participated in his share of conflicts, including operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

"What's most important is

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Wear policy for new physical training gear

Hair must be neat and cannot hang below the collar; long hair must be tied back

The same shaving standards apply in PT gear as in uniform wear

Air Force T-shirt (short or long-sleeved style) must be worn tucked into shorts

Shoes must be a conservative color

AFSOC directives note that hats are not part of the PT uniform

Jewelry wear will follow normal uniform wear rules, keeping safety in mind

White socks must be worn; ankle or calf length (small conservative trademark logos are OK)

Full wear policy

- Any combination of PT uniform items may be worn together (jacket with T-shirt and shorts, T-shirt with shorts or pants); PT uniform items must not be worn with any civilian clothing.
- Air Force T-shirt (short- or long-sleeved style) must be worn tucked into shorts.
- Jacket must be at least half zipped, and hood must be stored and zipped when not worn.
- Pants must be zipped at the legs.
- Spandex shorts and leggings (navy blue, or black) may be worn under PT shorts (full-length leggings may be worn during cold weather).
- White socks must be worn; ankle or calf length (small conservative trademark logos are OK).
- Shoes must be a conservative color.
- AFSOC directives note that hats are not part of the PT uniform. Air Force policy states hats are not required when wearing the PT uniform, but if optional organizational hats are worn, commanders must standardize.
- Saluting is not required when performing PT activities, but is required regardless of uniform type when not performing PT activities and when meeting individuals displaying appropriate rank.
- Hair must be neat and cannot hang loose below the collar; long hair must be tied back.
- Requirement for reflective belt is at the discretion of the squadron commander.
- Body art standards apply.
- Jewelry wear will follow normal uniform wear rules, keeping safety in mind.
- Wear policy for deployed locations is at the discretion of the theater commander.



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An Airman from the 20th Special Operations Squadron, demonstrates the workings of a .50 caliber machine gun to his father, an Airman from the 720th Operations Support Squadron.

Like father, like son

By Jamie Haig
Public Affairs

When Master Sgt. Jeffrey Porter left the 321st Special Tactics Squadron at RAF Mildenhall, he didn't realize that he would be stationed with his son.

Now, as a radio maintenance craftsman with the 720th Operations Support Squadron, he couldn't be happier.



Photo by Senior Airman Heidi Davis

He assembles a AV 2055-3 satellite communication antenna.

"It's like a dream come true," said Sergeant Porter. "To convince my son to join the Air Force is one thing, but to leave Mildenhall, and a year and a half later, have him join me at Hurlburt Field - now that's awesome."

Senior Airman Jeffrey Porter, a gunner with the 20th Special Operations Squadron, also thinks it's great.

"I grew up around the military and the Air Force. It was only natural," said Airman Porter.

Sergeant Porter will retire Nov. 1, and Airman Porter joins the Special Tactics pipeline Sept. 2.

"Going through the pipeline is what I've wanted to do, and I feel I can make it," said Airman Porter. "Starting out as a gunner was just a step toward what I really want to do, which is to be a Combat Controller."

Sergeant Porter is happy he will be retired when his son makes it through



Photo by Senior Airman Heidi Davis

He checks the antenna coupling.

the 18-month-long pipeline.

"He might get extra flak if I were still at the 720th," said Sergeant Porter.

The biggest event for both men came at a deployed location. They were at different locations, but within several hundred miles of each other. Through their chains of command, they were able to schedule a visit for a few hours.

"We were able to be together for a short time, and I was able to witness my son's re-enlistment," said Sergeant Porter. "It was an event of a lifetime."

"To re-enlist in a deployed location and have my father present to witness it, was the highlight of my career," said Airman Porter.

Although they work in separate career fields, they see each other all the time on base. It helps when Airman Porter deploys. His father can run interference with his mother.

Airman Porter said, "She worries all the time, but he's very good about putting things in perspective for her."

Gunners can see what the pilots

can't see. They can verbally clear pilots of any obstacles to make a safe approach to the landing zone.

Sergeant Porter's job entails taking care of the radios used by the Special Tactics personnel, such as Pararescuemen and Combat Controllers. Deployed or at Hurlburt Field, the sergeant makes sure the equipment is working and ready to go. After 24 years, he's looking forward to retirement and working locally. He's going to enjoy watching his son's progress in the Air Force.

When asked what advice he would give young Airmen on base, Sergeant Porter said: "Learn everything you can from the leaders you admire. Use those traits whether it's popular or not and always take care of each other."

His son had similar views.

"Enjoy the chance you're given and don't mess it up by going down the wrong road," said Airman Porter. "There are plenty of opportunities in the Air Force to be happy, just find what you're looking for and give it your best effort."

"To re-enlist in a deployed location and have my father present to witness it, was the highlight of my career" - Airman Porter

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USAFSOS courses

The U.S. Air Force Special Operations School will conduct a Sub-Saharan Africa Orientation Course Monday through Aug. 12. This course is designed for personnel preparing to live in or deploy to the Sub-Saharan African region, personnel who work with individuals from this region, those with a professional or analytical interest in the Sub-Saharan African area.

Also, the USAFSOS will conduct a Cross Cultural Communications Course Aug. 15-19. This course is designed for people preparing to live or deploy overseas, who work with international military members, and people with a professional or analytical interest in international studies.

For more information on either of the courses, call Capt. Apryl Cymbal at 884-4472 or Joyce Weber at 884-4731 or visit www.hurlburt.af.mil/milonly/tenantunit/jsou.

Also, the USAFSOS will conduct a Commanders Responsibility Course, Force Protection level III Aug. 16-18 for field grade officers, and senior NCOs and civilians who serve as ATOs in support of commanders.

The course is designed to educate commanders and support staff in their responsibilities for force protection in garrison and deployed environments. For more information, call Capt. Andrew Wheeler at 884-5757.

Community

Officer training corps

The next boards for the Airman Scholarship and Commissioning Program, Scholarship for Outstanding Airman to Reserve Officers' Training Corps and Professional Officer Course are scheduled for Oct. 15.

For more information and applications visit www.afots.af.mil/AFOTC/EnlistedCommissioning/Default.htm or call the education office at 884-6724.

Munch & Mend

The Hurlburt Chapel presents Munch & Mend 5-7 p.m. Monday. Come enjoy a free dinner and have minor repairs done on one article of clean clothing or have patches, stripes or name tags sewn on. For more information, call Bill White at 884-7371 or Jimmie Thomas at 315-4746.

Overnight tour

The information, tickets and travel office is kicking off football season with an overnight tour Sept. 17-18 to New Orleans for the New Orleans versus New York Giants game. The

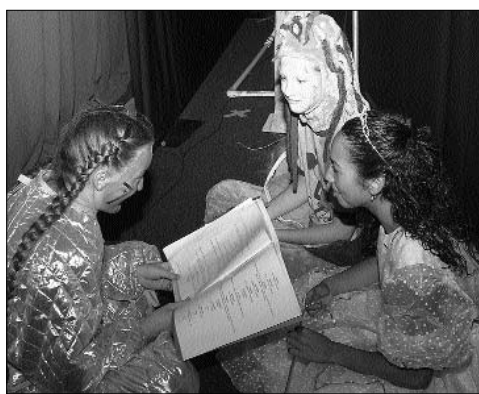


Photo by Karen DeCarlo

Not in Kansas

Rachael (left) as the Tin Man, Elizabeth as the Lion, and Jeraim as Glinda, the Good Witch, review their lines together backstage before the first performance of "The Wizard of Oz" July 22 in the base theater. More than 300 people attended and approximately 65 Hurlburt youth participated in the play.

tour includes roundtrip bus transportation, a lower-level end zone game ticket and one-night stay at the Holiday Inn Superdome.

Rates are \$233 per person/single occupancy; \$180 per person/double occupancy. The sign-up deadline is Aug. 19. Full payment is required at booking. For more information, call 884-6795/5699.

Free childcare

The next "Give Parents a Break" program is scheduled for 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Aug. 13. Free childcare is provided for eligible families with children, ages 6 months to 12 years old.

The program is sponsored by Air Force Aid Society for qualified spouses of deployed or remote active-duty members, or for emergency situations. For more information, call Trisha Barrett at 884-4300.

Clinic closures

The 16th Medical Group will close at 11:30 a.m. every third Wednesday of the month for training.

Airman's Attic

The Hurlburt Field Airman's Attic offers young Airmen furniture and household items to use permanently. The building, which is run by the Hurlburt Spouses Club, was relocated last month to its new location across from J.R. Rockers and next to the behavioral health building.

Military 'thank you'

The Operation Military Thank You Cookout is held 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. today at the Niceville-Valparaiso-Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, 1055 East John Sims Parkway. The Military Affairs Committee would like to show their appreciation to the men and women who serve our country.

AADD meeting

Hurlburt Field's Airman Against Drunk Driving holds monthly meetings at 11 a.m. the last Friday of each month at the military equal opportunity conference room. Squadron rep-

resentatives are invited as well as anyone who has an interest in saving lives and keeping our comrades and community safe. For more information, call Master Sgt. Mayra Casanova at 884-4438.

CCAF graduation

The deadline to apply for the fall Community College of the Air Force graduation is Aug. 26.

To graduate this fall, Airman must request their transcripts and have the college send them to:

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To ensure requirements are met for graduation, people should stop by the Hurlburt Field Education Services Office, from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, or call 884-6724.

EOSC luncheon

The 2005/2006 year is starting up for the Eglin Officers Spouses Club at Eglin Air Force Base. Come see what the EOSC has to offer and enjoy a free continental breakfast 9:30 a.m. Aug. 17 at the O'club. For reservations, call Eileen Workman at 314-9755 or e-mail workmancrew@earthlink.net.

Waste disposal

For all agencies conducting business on Hurlburt Field, disposal of all universal waste must be coordinated through the 16th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight. Universal waste includes mercury vapor lamps, batteries, mercury-containing devices and pesticides. For specific disposal information, call the environmental flight at 884-4651.

Trespassing notice

The 16th Security Forces Squadron reminds people not to trespass onto the firing ranges and impact areas located off RED HORSE Road. Trespassing could be dangerous. People must have clearance to enter

At the movies



Prices are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children 6 years old and up. Movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Hurlburt Field - 884-7648

Friday - Batman Begins (PG-13). The origins of the Batman legend and the Dark Knight's emergence as a force for good in Gotham. In the wake of his parents' murder, disillusioned industrial heir Bruce travels the world seeking the means to fight injustice and turn fear against those who prey on the fearful.

He returns to Gotham and unveils his alter-ego: Batman, a masked crusader who uses his strength, intellect and an array of high tech deceptions to fight the sinister forces that threaten the city.

Saturday - Land of the Dead (R). In a modern-day world where the walking dead roam, the living try to lead "normal" lives behind the walls of a fortified city. Outside the city walls, an army of the dead is evolving. Inside, anarchy is on the rise. With the very survival of the city at stake, a group of hardened mercenaries is called into action to protect the living from an army of the dead.

Sunday - The Perfect Man (PG). Holly conceives the perfect plan for the perfect man - an imaginary secret admirer who will romance her mother Jean and boost her shaky self-esteem.

When the virtual relationship takes off, Holly finds herself having to produce the suitor, borrowing her friend's charming and handsome Uncle Ben as the face behind the e-mails, notes and gifts. Holly must resort to increasingly desperate measures to keep the ruse alive.

Eglin - 882-1066

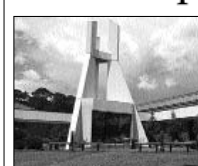
Friday - War of the Worlds (PG-13). Ray is a working class man living in New Jersey. He's estranged from his family, his life isn't in order, and he's too caught up with himself. But the unthinkable and, ultimately, the unexpected happens to him in an extraordinary sense.

His small town life is shaken violently by the arrival of destructive intruders: Martians which have come en masse to destroy Earth.

Saturday - Herbie: Fully Loaded (G). Maggie, the new owner of Number 53 - the free-wheelin' Volkswagen bug with a mind of its own - puts the car through its paces on the road to becoming a NASCAR competitor. Herbie's got some new tricks under his hood.

(Editor's note: Movies are subject to change. Telephone numbers are provided for patrons to confirm dates.)

Base chapel



Catholic Mass
Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, 7:15 and 10 a.m.
Confessions: Saturday, 4:30 to 5 p.m., or by request
Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
Religious Education: September - May
Protestant Services

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. (Traditional worship)

11:30 a.m. (Contemporary worship)

Religious Education: August - May

Youth and Singles groups available

Jewish Services (882-2111)

Sabbath services: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Eglin Chapel Center

Muslim Services (882-2111), Eglin Chapel Center

Jumuah: Friday, 12:45 p.m.

For more information, call 884-7795.

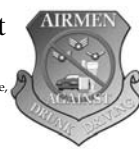


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Week in History

The following is a list of extraordinary events that occurred this week in military history:

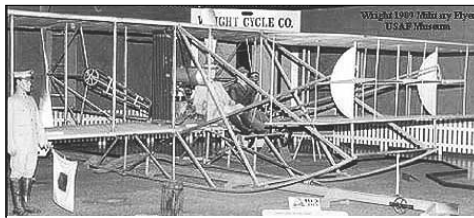
July 31, 1957 – The Distant Early Warning Line was reported to be fully operational.

Aug. 1, 1955 – The first zero gravity research flights inaugurated.

Aug. 2, 1909 – The Wright Military Flyer was formally accepted as the Army's first airplane – Signal Corps Airplane No. 1.

Aug. 3, 1904 – The first circuit flight of an airship was made by Capt. T. Baldwin.

Aug. 4, 1944 – Radio-controlled B-17 bombers



Courtesy photo

Wright 1909 Military Flyer

were first used in "Aphrodite missions" flown against V-2 rocket sites.

Aug. 5, 1954 – The first Boeing B-52A made a 78-minute maiden flight.

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the impact area. For more information, call 884-7520/7205.

Volunteer FSC opportunities

The family support center has many volunteer opportunities available through its volunteer resource program office. Some opportunities include the Loan Closet, Airman's Attic and Meals on Wheels. For more information, call 884-1533.

Chapel help

The Hurlburt Field Chapel is looking for volunteers to help answer phones for three hours per week on days when the receptionist is on leave.

For more information, call Senior

Airman John McIntosh or Andy Ramos at 884-7795. The chapel is also looking for points of contact for Islamic, Jewish, Buddhist, Orthodox and Latter Day Saints faiths. Those interested in helping ensure these faiths are represented at Hurlburt Field should call Master Sgt. Salvador Manalang at 884-7795.



Heritage month

Volunteers are needed to help organize events for Hispanic Heritage Month, Sept. 15 – Oct. 15. The Hispanic Heritage Month committee meets at noon every Tuesday in the military equal opportunity conference room. For more information, call Capt. A.J. Lugo at 884-2703.

Look who's new in blue...

Boys

Isaia Daniel Bell was born June 30 to Staff Sgt. Dorrien Bell, 16th Helicopter Maintenance Squadron, and Senior Airman Patrice Bell, 25th Information Operations Squadron.



Alex James Bazan was born July 2 to Airman 1st Class Henry and Audria Bazan, 16th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

Classes UA classes

The University of Arkansas located at Hurlburt Field offers a Master of Science with a major in Operations Management. With only 10 courses required (30 semester hours), it's possible to complete degree requirements in one year. Term One registration begins Aug. 1, and classes begin Aug. 17. Begin classes in January, March, May, August or October. For more information, call Sherry DelCastillo at 884-3844 or e-mail uafgrad3@uofa. gccoxmail.com.

HAWC classes

The following classes are available at the health and wellness center:

Running Shoe Clinic – 1 p.m., Monday

Healthy Living Workshop – 8:30 a.m., Tuesday
Fitness Improvement Program – 10:30 a.m., Tuesday
Body Composition Improvement Program – 1 p.m., Tuesday
Fitness 101 – 1 p.m., Tuesday

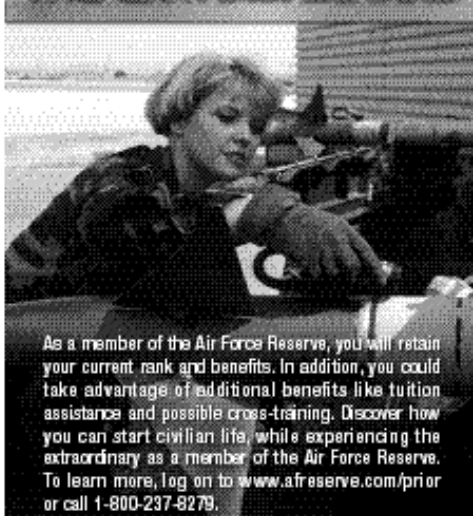


FSC classes

The following classes are available at the family support center:

Résumé Writing Workshop – 1 p.m., Monday
Pre-Transitions Assistance Program – 8 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday
Moms, Pops & Tots – 10 a.m., Tuesday, Wednesday

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Underdog on rise

CES advances within volleyball playoffs after losing first match in Monday, Tuesday games

**By Senior Airman
Heidi Davis
Public Affairs**

Intramural volleyball playoffs began Monday, narrowing the number of teams in the winners' bracket from eight to two Wednesday night.

The championship game will be played at 5:30 p.m. Monday at the Aderholt Fitness Center gym.

In the 16th SVS-16th CES game Tuesday, the teams seemed evenly matched. However, 16th SVS began pulling away toward the end of the game, increasing the gap 23-19 and eventually winning by six points.

"We were off on our serves like we were last night (Monday)," said Eric Semmler, 16th CES.

Before the start of the second game, 16th CES discussed possible causes for the loss.

"For the first six points, we weren't hitting at all," said Adanzy Hart.

"We just need to do better in the second," said Kat Lindler.

Seeing the frustration on their faces, Coach Rico Keen gave the team one last reminder before heading back to the court, "It's just like last night - we lost the first game, but we'll win the second."

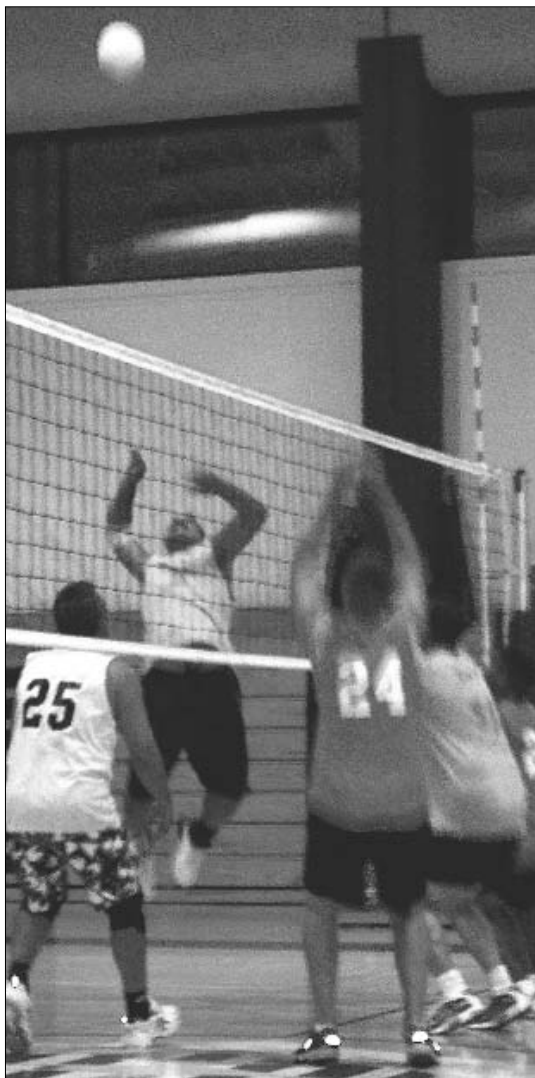
Coach Keen proved right. Early in the second game, 16th SVS took the lead, but 16th CES soon closed the gap, 7-10. However, with the 16th SVS blocking combo, Kevin Santiago and Dave Saludes, 16th CES struggle to get the ball over the net.

Kicking the intensity into gear and concentrating on better touches, 16th CES began closing in and surpassing the 16th SVS score. The 16th CES team won the second game, 25-23.

Game three followed the same pattern of games one and two, as the teams stayed within a few points of each other. However, 16th CES brought the match to an end, winning 15-11. When asked what contributed to the win, a resounding, "Teamwork" rang out from the players.

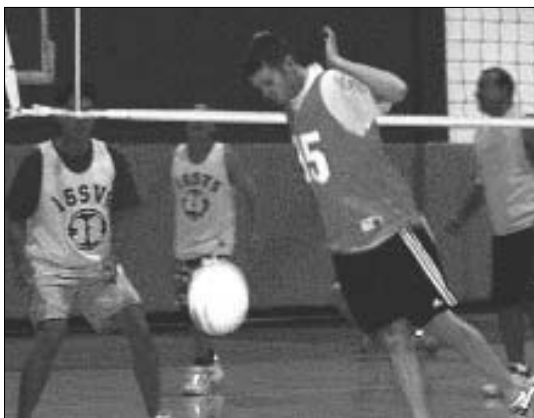
The 16th CES team played the 16th Component Maintenance Squadron Wednesday night. After winning, the team advances to the championship round.

Semmler (left) controls his form, as he smoothly bumps the ball over the net to 16th SVS players.



Photos by Senior Airman Heidi Davis

A 16th Services Squadron Airman, jumps up for the spike as 16th Civil Engineer Squadron players set for the block.



The 16th CES Airman, moves out of the way of the ball before it lands out of bounds.

In the bleachers

Referees needed

The West Florida Officials Association is seeking referee for intramural, over 30 and youth games this upcoming year and experienced officials for middle and high school games in the local area. Also, training will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Aderholt Fitness Center gymnasium for anyone interested in refereeing youth or military basketball this upcoming year. For more information, call Roy Spencer at 581-4587.

Volleyball championship

The intramural volleyball championship will be played at 5:30 p.m. Monday at the Aderholt Fitness Center.

Council meeting

The Base Sports Advisory Council will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Aderholt Fitness Center. All unit sports representatives are invited to attend.

Free race

The High 5 Poker Race will be held Aug. 20 at the Commando Fitness Center. Check-in time for the free event is 6:30 a.m. The race begins at 7 a.m. The male/female age categories are: 15-25; 26-35; 36-45; 46 and up.

Awards will be presented for first, second and third in each age category, male and female overall, and master male and female overall. Participants with one of the top 10 poker hands will receive a prize.

The registration deadline is noon Aug. 19 at the Commando Fitness Center. For more information, call 884-4412.

Roller hockey

Teams are playing roller hockey every Thursday and Sunday at 6 p.m. at the main rink next to the tennis courts. They're looking for more participation to get an intramural league started. For more information, call John Hauser at 884-0440.

Tennis club

The Hurlburt Field Tennis Club meets 5 to 7 p.m. every Wednesday at the tennis courts beside the U.S. Air Force Special Operations School. The tennis club is an informal group of people interested in playing tennis and requires one can of new tennis balls to join.

The play will consist of eight-game pro sets with no add scoring. All players will move up or down and switch partners. The club is open to all Hurlburt Field personnel. For more information, e-mail Vicki Helton at vicki.helton@hurlburt.af.mil.

Coaches needed

Youth sports is seeking volunteers interested in coaching youth soccer and flag football. Openings are available for all age groups (5-13 for soccer, 6-14 for flag football). Stop by the youth center for a packet or for more information, call 884-6355.

Upcoming sports

Intramural horseshoes is now forming squadron teams to begin the season in September. Contact your squadron sports representative to sign up. Intramural flag football will be forming teams soon with a late September tentative start date. For more information about sporting activities, call Jim Harriot at 884-6949.

Youth sports

Soccer and flag football practice begins Aug. 22. Games will be played Sept. 17 through Nov. 29. Cost is \$45 per player or \$90 for two or more players in the same family. Soccer players must be ages 5-14 as of Aug. 31. Soccer evaluations will be conducted Aug. 9 at the large soccer field by age groups: ages 8-9 at 5:30 p.m.; ages 10-11 at 6 p.m.; ages 12-14 at 6:30 p.m.

Flag football players must be ages 7-15 as of Aug. 31. Games will be played at the Fort Walton Beach YMCA. Flag football evaluations will be conducted Aug. 15 on Field 4 at the Community Park by age groups: ages 7-8 at 5:30 p.m.; ages 9-10 at 6 p.m.; ages 11-15 at 6:15 p.m.

All youth participating in the youth sports program must have an annual physical examination, and provide a copy of their birth certificate or military identification card. For more information, call 884-6355.

Rugby season

The Okaloosa Rugby Football Club is looking for new players at all levels of experience for the spring and summer seasons. For more information, call J.C. at 882-1858 or e-mail john.colletta@eglin.af.mil.

Basketball coach needed

The Aderholt Fitness Center is now accepting résumés for men's varsity basketball coach. Résumés should include all previous coaching experience and results and will be accepted through today.

Fitness classes

The Riptide and Aderholt Fitness Centers host many classes to fit your fitness goals; they include: Body Sculpt, Yoga, Step, Spinning (cycle), Cardio Sculpt, and Pilates. Call the Riptide Fitness Center at 881-5121 or the Aderholt Fitness Center at 884-6884 for the time, day and location of your class.

Golf tournament

A two-man best ball golf tournament will be held at 8 a.m. Aug. 13-14 at the Gator Lakes Golf Course. The tournament will have a shotgun start.